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1,696	1/31/49	Letter to Omaha from St. Paul	1	No	Released in full
1,697	1/31/49	Boston report of SA Connors	9	Yes	
1,698	1/31/49	St. Paul teletype to Los Angeles	2	Yes	
1,699	1/31/49	Bureau teletype to Boston	1	Yes	
1,700	1/31/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,701	1/31/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Cleveland, Savannah	2	Yes	
1,702		Skipped serial notice 4/20/46	1		
1,703	2/1/49	Letter to Washington Field Office from Director	1	Yes	
1,704	2/1/49	Letter to Richmond from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,705	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	2	Yes	
1,706	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,707	2/2/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	

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1,708	2/2/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,709	2/2/49	Chicago teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,710	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,711	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,712	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,713	2/2/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,714	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Baltimore, New York	1	No	Released in full
1,715	1/31/49	Kansas City report of SA McIver	2	Yes	
1,716	1/31/49	Newark report of SA Alker	17	Yes	
1,717	2/1/49	St. Paul teletype to San Francisco	2	Yes	
1,718	2/2/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,719	2/2/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	

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1,720	2/2/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	Yes	
1,721	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,722	2/2/49	New Haven teletype to New York	1	No	Released in full
1,723	2/2/49	Baltimore teletype to New York, Bureau	1	Yes	
1,724	2/2/49	Washington Field Office report of SA Oberndorf	53	Yes	
1,725	2/1/49	Memo to file from SA Longo, New York	1	No	Released in full
1,726	2/2/49	Memo to file from SA Neagle, New York	6	No	referred to Navy.
1,727	2/2/49	Memo to file from ASAC Belmont	1	No	Released in full
1,728	2/2/49	Memo to file from ASAC Belmont	2	No	Released in full
1,729	2/2/49	Washington Field Office Chicago teletype to Bureau, New York,	4	Yes	
1,730	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,731	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	

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1,732	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,733	2/2/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,734	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,735	2/2/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office	2	Yes	
1,736	2/2/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office	2	Yes	
1,737	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,738	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,739	2/2/49	St. Louis teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,740	2/2/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,741	2/2/49	San Francisco teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,742	2/2/49	Kansas City teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,743	2/3/49	Buffalo teletype to Bureau, Albany, New York	1	Yes	

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1,744	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Baltimore, New York	1	No	Released in full
1,745	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York	1	No	Released in full
1,746	2/3/49	Memo to file from ASAC Belmont	1	No	Released in full
1,747	2/3/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,748	2/3/49	Memo to file from ASAC Belmont	1	No	Released in full
1,749	2/3/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,750	2/3/49	Memo to file from SA McCarthy	1	No	Released in full
1,751	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	3	Yes	
1,752	2/2/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,753	2/2/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,754	2/3/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,755	1/31/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, St. Louis	1	Yes	

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1,756	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Albany	1	Yes	
1,757	2/3/49	Letter to Washington Field Office from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,758	2/3/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	2	Yes	
1,759	2/3/49	Washington Field Office report of SA Frew	14	Yes	
1,760	6/30/39	Unsigned Memo (Department of State)	2	No	Refer State
1,761	10/25/39	Memo from Department of State	2	No	Refer State
1,762	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	4	Yes	
1,763	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,764	2/1/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, St. Paul	1	Yes	
1,765	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,766	2/2/49	Washington Field Office to Bureau, Birmingham	1	Yes	
1,767	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Miami	1	Yes	

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1,768	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, El Paso	1	Yes	
1,769	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Omaha	1	Yes	
1,770	2/3/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,771	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	Yes	
1,772	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	Yes	
1,773	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Richmond	1	Yes	
1,774	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Chicago	1	Yes	
1,775	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Savannah	1	Yes	
1,776	2/2/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Albany	1	Yes	
1,777	2/2/49	Letter to Newark from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,778	2/2/49	Letter to Little Rock from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,779	2/2/49	Letter to Washington Field Office from Director	1	Yes	

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1,780	2/2/49	Letter to New York from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,781	2/2/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,782	2/2/49	Letter to Baltimore from FBI Lab.	1	Yes	
1,783	2/2/49	Letter to Director from Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,784	2/3/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,785	2/3/49	Memo to file from ASAC Belmont	1	No	Released in full
1,786	2/3/49	Miami teletype to New York	1	No	Released in full
1,787	2/3/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,788	2/1/49	Letter to New York from Milwaukee	1	No	Released in full
1,789	2/1/49	Little Rock report of SA Welch	6	Yes	
1,790	2/3/49	Letter to Director from New York	1	Yes	
1,791	2/3/49	Letter to Miami from New York	1	No	Released in full

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1,792	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,793	2/3/49	Springfield teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,794	2/3/49	Washington Field Office to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,795	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,796	2/3/49	Bureau teletype to Baltimore, New York	1	Yes	
1,797	2/3/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,798	2/3/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, Newark, New York	1	Yes	
1,799	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	
1,800	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	2	Yes	
1,801	2/3/49	Bureau teletype to Boston, New York	1	Yes	
1,802	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Philadelphia, Newark, New York	2	Yes	
1,803	2/4/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	Yes	

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1,804	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, Washington Field Office	6	Yes	
1,805	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, El Paso	1	Yes	
1,806	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	Yes	
1,807	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, Newark	1	Yes	
1,808	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	Yes	
1,809	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, Washington Field Office	1	Yes	
1,810	2/3/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Newark	1	Yes	
1,811	2/4/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, New York	1	Yes	
1,812	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	Yes	
1,813	2/4/49	El Paso teletype to New York	1	No	Released in full
1,814	1/28/49	Letter to FBI Lab from New York	1	Yes	
1,815	2/3/49	New Haven teletype to Bureau, Miami, New York	2	Yes	

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1.816	2/3/49	Memo to file from SA's Hilsbos and Kelly	5	No	Released in full
1.817	2/3/49	Letter, Special Agent in Charge, New York	1	No	Released in full
1.818	1/31/49	Letter to New York from Butte	1	No	Released in full
1.819	1/31/49	Denver report of SA Johnson	13	Yes	
1.820	2/1/49	Letter to Director from Denver	1	Yes	
1.821	2/2/49	Letter to Washington Field Office from Director	1	Yes	
1.822	2/2/49	Springfield report of SA Randolph	6	Yes	71-2833
1.823	2/2/49	Letter to San Francisco from Los Angeles teletype	1	No	(see attached)
1.824	2/2/49	Newark report of SA Alker	7	Yes	
1.825	2/3/49	Letter to Director from Boston	3	Yes	
1.826	2/3/49	Letter to New York from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1.827	2/3/49	Letter to New York from FBI Lab	1	Yes	

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1,828	2/3/49	Letter to New York from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,829	2/3/49	Letter to New York from New Haven	1	No	Released in full
1,830	2/3/49	New Haven report of SA Carr	2	Yes	
1,831	2/3/49	Letter to Denver from FBI Lab	1	Yes	
1,832	2/3/49	Letter to Washington Field Office from FBI Lab	2	Yes	
1,833	2/3/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau	1	Yes	
1,834	2/3/49	Miami report of SA Prior	3	Yes	
1,835	2/4/49	Bureau teletype to Boston, New York	2	Yes	
1,836	2/4/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	Yes	
1,837	2/4/49	New Haven teletype to Bureau, Boston, New York	1	Yes	
1,838	2/4/49	Philadelphia teletype to Newark, New York, Washington Field Office	4	Yes	
1,839	2/4/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York	1	Yes	

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1,840	2/4/49	Letter to New York from SAAG Donegan	1	no	Refer to Department of Justice
1,841	1/21/49	Letter from Special Agent in Charge, New York	1	no	released in full
1,842	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1,843	2/4/49	New York teletype to Milwaukee	1	yes	
1,844	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	yes	
1,845	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1,846	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Philadelphia	1	yes	
1,847	2/1/49	New York report of Special Agent Miles	8	yes	
1,848	2/4/49	New York teletype to Seattle, Bureau, Baltimore	6	yes	
1,849	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1,850	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1,851	2/4/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Springfield, Washington Field Office	1	yes	

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404 New York Building
St. Paul 1, Minnesota
January 31, 1949

SAC, Omaha

Dear Sir:

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, etal
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

The Washington Field Office by letter dated January 27, 1949 advised that Professor TRACY F. TYLER, University of Minnesota, lived in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. during the time ALGER HISS lived at that address. HISS leased Apartment 42 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from July 1, 1934 to June 28, 1935 and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS is supposed to have occupied this apartment about the last six weeks of the lease.

Professor TYLER's daughter GERALDINE is now married to WILLIAM D. WERTZ and lives at 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska, and lived with her parents when they resided at the above address from June, 1931 to September, 1935.

Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ should be interviewed to determine whether she has any information indicating that HISS was associated at any time with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS regardless of the name CHAMBERS may have been using. It should also be determined whether this person can furnish information corroborating CHAMBERS' allegations concerning HISS and other persons in this case.

For the assistance of the Omaha Office in covering this lead, there are enclosed two photographs of ALGER HISS and two photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

The Washington Field Office is being requested to forward Airmail Special Delivery to the Omaha Office additional photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and his wife and child which are to be exhibited to Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ.

New York origin. Handle immediately.

Very truly yours,

M. B. RHODES
SAC

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REURTEL FEBRUARY FIRST LAST, REQUESTING NEW HAVEN INTERVIEW JIULETTE.

NEW HAVEN HAS CONTACTED BUREAU AND SUGGESTED DESIRABILITY OF INTERVIEW-
ING SIMULTANEOUSLY FRANK DRAMINSKI AND DUDLEY CHAPMAN IN NEW LONDON,
AND ZACHARY BARANOFF ⁶AT BOSTON, MASS. BUREAU WILL ADVISE NEW HAVEN TO-
DAY BY TEL OF DECISION IN THIS MATTER. IN ANY CASE REQUESTED INTERVIEW
WILL BE CONSUMMATED AS SOON AS DESIRES OF BUREAU ARE MADE KNOWN.

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New York, New York
February 1, 1949

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa
ALGER HISS et al
PERJURY - ESPIONAGE - R

Dave Lesser, 165 West End Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., advised the writer on January 31, 1949 of the following information.

During the winter of 1932-33, Lesser attended classes at the Workers' School. In his class of "Principles of Communism", Lesser advised that there were 3 students in this class that stood out from the other students because of their speech, mannerisms and dress. Two of these students were brother and sister and the third, a male friend. According to Lesser, these individuals were believed to come from families of substantial means. Lesser stated that after seeing the recent pictures of Alger Hiss in the newspapers, he believes that the male friend in this group of three was Alger Hiss and that the young woman student is his present wife. Lesser stated that he had no evidence to corroborate this fact other than the similarity between this one student who attended class with him and the publication of Hiss' pictures in the newspapers. Lesser stated that he did not recall the names of any of these students.

It is believed by the writer that Lesser can be interviewed by any Agent from this Office, if the Agent mentions to Lesser that he was recommended by the writer. The telephone number of Lesser's home is Shoreroad 3-2320.

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Frank H. Longo
S A

*1. Lesser
2. Hiss
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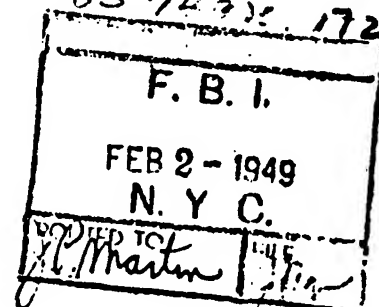
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On the morning of February 2, Mr. H. B. Fletcher referred to our teletype to the Washington Field office requesting that office to interview CRANE who had been identified by CHAMBERS as the unknown subject KEITH. Mr. Fletcher advised that the Bureau is sending a teletype to Los Angeles, advising that office to obtain a consent to search at the time of the interview and to pick up any cameras that KEITH might have in his possession for examination by the laboratory. Mr. Fletcher advised that very probably Mr. Donegan would want to subpoena CRANE and therefore, the Bureau teletype was advising Los Angeles that, if Donegan wants CRANE subpoenaed, they are authorized to serve the subpoena. We should check with Donegan and advise Los Angeles by teletype of all arrangements in this respect.

A. H. BELMONT
ASAC

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**United States Department of Justice
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MR. GILSON
MR. TUOHY
MR. WATSON
CHIEF CLERK
PROPERTY CLERK
TRAINING UNIT

On the morning of February 2, Mr. H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau advised that the Department was apparently considering the possibility of approaching J. PETERS with an offer of immunity if he would open up and give all information in his possession concerning espionage activities in this country. I advised Mr. Fletcher that we had received information from Mr. Donegan along these same lines, namely, that Alexander Campbell of the Department had sounded out Mr. Donegan as to what he thought of the Department approaching the Bureau to have one of the Bureau's informants sound out PETERS as to whether he would go for this. The thought of the Department apparently is that as PETERS is under a deportation charge and has indicated to the Grand Jury that he wants to stay in this country, this would be a lever along with the promise of immunity to have him cooperate. I advised Mr. Fletcher that there was nothing that I could recall that would indicate that J. PETERS would ever cooperate but that we would give this further thought.

I advised that, in connection with the Bakora rugs, CHAMBERS claims they were purchased at the suggestion of BYKOV and distributed to SILVERMAN and through SILVERMAN to HISS and HARRY DEXTER WHITE. I pointed out that WADLEIGH had also turned up with one of these rugs which now he apparently has in a country house in Washington and, while CHAMBERS had not remembered this additional rug, he does not deny there must have been four rugs and WADLEIGH's rug must have been one of them; that CHAMBERS just did not remember this particular rug.

I advised Mr. Fletcher that our agents had interviewed SHAPIRO through whom the rugs were purchased by CHAMBERS; that SHAPIRO had admitted buying the rugs for CHAMBERS and recalled sending them to SILVERMAN or SILVERMASTER in Washington. SHAPIRO is not quite sure of the name. We have located the sales slips for these rugs and have ascertained that SHAPIRO gave a check for \$600 and cash in the amount of \$275 for them. We thus have definite evidence that the rugs were purchased as CHAMBERS states and that they were sent to Washington. The date of the sales slips is in the latter part of December, 1936 and the shipment to Washington was about December 29, 1946. We have tried to trace the shipment through Railway Express but their records have been destroyed. We contemplated asking Washington Field to try to locate the Railway Express delivery man who handled these packages as they were somewhat of an unusual nature and he might recall delivering them to SILVERMAN.

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CHAMBERS has stated that subsequent to the arrival of the rugs in Washington, which must have been early in January, 1937, he and HISS rode out to a restaurant in Washington in HISS's car and met SILVERMAN there, and SILVERMAN had one of the rugs in the back of his car which was given to HISS. This is highly important inasmuch as it now appears possible to show a meeting between HISS and CHAMBERS in early January, 1937, contrary to the statements of HISS before the GJ. I advised that the company here cannot identify the rugs as they are individually made, although we do have the measurements of the rugs. Therefore, there is some question as to whether we want to get hold of the other three rugs at this time. I advised him we are giving this considerable thought and will be in touch with the Bureau further on it. I advised Mr. Fletcher we would send him a teletype on this.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, ESP-R, IS-R, PERJURY. NY OFFICE
 ADVISED THAT FROM READING VARIOUS TESTIMONY THAT SUBSEQUENT TO MARTHA
 POPE'S EMPLOYMENT AS MAID BY HISS, A JULIA RANKIN HAD BEEN EMPLOYED AS
 A MAID. RANKIN AT THAT TIME WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE RESIDED AT FLORIDA
 AVENUE ON A CURVE IN THIS AVENUE ACROSS FROM A CHURCH SHE REGULARLY
 ATTENDED. FOR INFO BALTIMORE, MARTHA POPE WAS EMPLOYED BY HISS UNTIL
 SOMETIME IN NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE. CHAMBERS YESTERDAY ADVISED WFO AGENTS
 HE HAD NO RECOLLECTION OF THIS INDIVIDUAL AND THAT THE ABOVE INFO WAS
 BASED ON A VERY VAGUE RECOLLECTION OF MRS. CHAMBERS. INTENSIVE INVESTI-
 GATION BY WFO HAS REFLECTED THAT V. N. S. HUGHES WAS MINISTER OF THE
 SIMPSON MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH AT TWO TWO FIVE THREE SHERMAN AVE.,
 NW, WASHINGTON, DC, FOR SEVERAL YEARS PRIOR TO NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN.
 THIS CHURCH, ALTHOUGH THE ADDRESS IS SHERMAN AVENUE, IS LOCATED AT
 THE JUNCTION OF FLORIDA AND SHERMAN AVENUES AT A POINT WHERE FLORIDA
 AVENUE CURVES. HUGHES EXACT ADDRESS IN GAITHERSBURG UNKNOWN BUT HE
 RECEIVES HIS MAIL AT THAT TOWN. BALTIMORE IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW HUGHES,
WHO IS COLORED, AS TO JULIA RANKIN. SUTEL RESULTS TO WFO.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP-R, IS-R. *REBUK*
JANUARY THREE, LAST. WFO INVESTIGATION JANUARY, NINETEEN FORTYTWO
RE ALGER HISS, IS-HATCH ACT, DISCLOSES INTERVIEW OF MRS. E. A. LUCK,
 THREE FOUR ONE NAUGHT VOLTA PLACE, NW, WHO IS REPORTED AS WELL ACQUAINTED
 WITH DONALD HISS, WHOM SHE CONSIDERS LOYAL. SHE DESCRIBED ALGER AS A
 PECULIAR INDIVIDUAL AND EXPRESSED AN OPINION THAT THERE MAY EXIST SOME
 DIFFERENCE IN POLITICAL OPINIONS BETWEEN THE TWO BROTHERS. INFORMANT
 STATED SHE ONCE HEARD QUOTE RUMOR UNQUOTE RE ALGER, HOWEVER, REFUSED
 TO STATE NATURE OF RUMOR ON GROUNDS IT WAS ONLY HEARSAY AND THAT HER
 SOURCE MAY NOT BE RELIABLE. PRESENT INVESTIGATION FAILED TO LOCATE
MRS. E. A. LUCK. HOWEVER, ABOVE INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH DOROTHY
LOCKE, WIFE OF EDWIN A. LOCKE, JR., FORMERLY AT THREE FOUR ONE NAUGHT
VOLTA PLACE, NW, AND THREE THREE THREE EIGHT DENT PLACE, NW, BOTH
WASHINGTON, DC. LAST KNOWN ADDRESS, ONE ONE FIVE NAUGHT FIFTH AVENUE,
NYC, ON JUNE TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN. FOR BACKGROUND OF EDWIN
ALLEN LOCKE, JR., SEE WHOS WHO, NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT-FORTYNINE. REIN-
INTERVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN REFERENCED LETTER.

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United States Department of Justice**

New York, New York
February 3, 1949

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MEMO

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, et. al
PERJURY
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On the afternoon of February 2, Mr. T. J. Donegan called to advise that from his observance of Mrs. SPIEGEL, she did not appear to him to meet the description given by CHAMBERS. He advised that Mr. and Mrs. SPIEGEL had not been brought before the Grand Jury on February 2, but that they would be on February 3. He requested that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS view these two individuals to see whether he could identify them.

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 Mr. Mrs. Spacie before Grand Jury
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February 3, 1949

MEMO:

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
PERJURY - ESPIONAGE R

On February 1, 1949 LISTON OAK, who had previously been interviewed by the writer in connection with the instant case, called this office and advised S. A. JOHN J. WARD that he had some additional information. He stated that at the time he was interviewed concerning his knowledge of CHAMBERS and particularly his conversation with CHAMBERS in 1938, he was not at liberty to say who else was present with him. He had since contacted the other man who was present and he was now able to advise this office that this individual is HERBERT SOLOW, an editor of Fortune magazine. Mr. OAK added that SOLOW was prepared to be interviewed and could be reached at Fortune.

It is suggested that SOLOW be interviewed.

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WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY, JR., S. A.

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 RE NEW HAVEN TEL TO NYC AND MIAMI TODAY. MIAMI FIELD DIVISION
 POSSESSES PHOTOGRAPH OF CHAMBERS AND ALGER HISS BUT NO PHOTOGRAPH
 OF PRISCILLA HISS. PLEASE FORWARD AMSD FOR EXHIBITION TO MRS.
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: February 1, 1949

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, w.a.s., et al
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PERJURY
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. REURTEL FEB THREE LAST, FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO AGAIN INTERVIEWED ON JAN THIRTYFIRST LAST AT WHICH TIME HE STATED HE WAS UNWILLING TO BE GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN TRIAL OF CP LEADERSHIP. INTERVIEWING AGENTS CONSIDER RENO AN INEFFECTIVE WITNESS BECAUSE OF HIS NERVOUS BEHEANOR, POOR ENUNCIATION AND INABILITY TO EXPRESS HIMSELF ADEQUATELY, IN ADDITION TO HIS UNWILLINGNESS. HOWEVER, PROFESSIONAL DIAGNOSIS AND PROGNOSIS NOT AVAILABLE.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, N. Y.

February 2, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
ALGER HISS, et al;
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

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On the afternoon of February 2, 1949, a conference was held with Assistant Director F. J. Connelley at which were present Special Agents J. M. Kelly, T. G. Spencer, and J. T. Hilsbos, and the problem of the preparation of a prosecutive summary report was discussed in some detail. On this occasion Mr. Connelley outlined his ideas how such report should be prepared, both as to form and substance, and the following is a summary of the outline prescribed by Assistant Director Connelley:

I. NARRATIVE

This portion should of course be a concise, chronological account of the allegations made by CHAMBERS - that he was an active espionage agent, that in functioning in such capacity he met Subject ALGER HISS, and an account of the association between CHAMBERS and HISS leading up to the transmission of documents from the latter to the former should be set out. There should also be included in this section the testimony given by Subject ALGER HISS before the Grand Jury which resulted in his being indicted on two counts of perjury.

This portion of the summary report will be handled by SA J. M. Kelly.

II. WITNESSES

With respect to the setting up of the testimony to be offered by the respective witnesses, the name of each should be set out in capital letters in the upper lefthand corner of the page, together with the initials of the dictating agent and the stencographer. The New York file number should also appear.

A. JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was

This portion should contain all the information which CHAMBERS is expected to testify to in chronological order as it has been given to the agents who have interviewed him. This information will of course, for the most part, consist of CHAMBERS' knowledge of the activities of Subject ALGER HISS. After this information

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is set out, there should appear on a separate page immediately thereafter information concerning the personal history and background of CHAMBERS. After appropriate background information concerning CHAMBERS is set out, there should be enumerated such variances in testimony and other statements by CHAMBERS as can be observed from a review of his testimony before the HCUA, the pre-trial examination in November, 1948, in connection with the libel and slander action, and the Grand Jury, SDNY.

Preparation of this section of the prosecutive summary will be handled by SA T. G. Spencer.

B. DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

The 65 typewritten documents (Q5 through Q69) and the four smaller sheets bearing handwriting of ALGER HISS (Q1 through Q4) should be listed by reference and numbered consecutively. For convenience in handling, it is suggested that the Laboratory number (Q blank) be placed in parenthesis after each respective document is listed. (It is not clear at this time if CHAMBERS can testify that he received these particular 69 documents from HISS, but upon establishing the facts of this situation, decision can be thereafter reached as to who is in a position to introduce these documents.

Immediately after this should appear, ^{each} starting on a separate sheet, the names and addresses of the persons who handled the above-mentioned documents from the time they left CHAMBERS' possession. Each of such persons who had possession of the documents at any time subsequent to their leaving CHAMBERS' possession should be listed on a separate page along with a statement setting out testimony each can offer with respect to his possession of such material.

On a separate page should then be listed the name of the State Department representative competent to introduce the original State Department documents from which the summaries and condensations appearing on the 69 documents produced by CHAMBERS were made. (It is to be noted that there is a question as to whether such State Department representative should be qualified as an expert, and accordingly be competent to testify that in his opinion such condensations and summaries actually were made from those State Department original documents, or whether it will suffice for the representative merely to introduce the State Department documents and permit the documents to speak for themselves.)

The dictation of the portion of the summary report pertaining to the 69 documents and their matching up with the original State Department documents will be handled by SA J. J. Danahy. The

section of the report pertaining to the list of persons who can testify as to their handling of the documents will be dictated by SA L. W. Spillane.

C. STATEMENTS OF ALGER HISS

On a separate page should be set out the names of those agents competent to introduce into evidence the signed statement executed by ALGER HISS on ~~12-4~~ 48 in Baltimore, Md. This statement should either be paraphrased or set out verbatim, probably the latter inasmuch as it is not lengthy and there is very little, if any, extraneous material therein. There should also be then set out such relevant oral admissions as may have been made by ALGER HISS at the time he furnished the above-mentioned statement. An effort should also be made to secure any other admissions ever made by HISS to anyone at any time which might have a bearing on instant matter. If any such admissions are located, they of course should be set out and preceded by the names of individuals competent to testify to them. After this information is set out, there should appear on a separate page immediately thereafter information concerning the personal history and background of HISS.

This portion of the summary report will be dictated by SA L. W. Spillane.

D. HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH

Under this caption should appear all the information which WADLEIGH has furnished and which he would be in a position to testify to as to his association with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS; this will include his having been recruited as an espionage agent by ELEANOR NELSON SOYRING and a description of his functioning as such. It should be mentioned that WADLEIGH has made what apparently are full disclosures of his activities to this Bureau, and that three signed statements incorporating such disclosures have been executed by him. These statements furnished by WADLEIGH can probably be paraphrased, and there should be added a statement that they are available and were secured by (names of agents witnessing same). On a separate page thereafter should be set out background and personal history information on WADLEIGH.

E. FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO

There should be set out in the above-described manner virtually the same information concerning RENO as required with respect to HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH; this will of course include a statement of his espionage activities and a subsequent page containing personal history and background.

The above two will be dictated by SA R. F. X. O'Keefe.

F. TYPEWRITTEN EVIDENCE

In this section are to be set out the names of those persons competent to introduce into evidence all letters which have been identified by the FBI Laboratory as having been written on the Woodstock typewriter on which were prepared Q6 through Q69. Each should of course be listed separately together with a description of the particular letter which each can introduce, and it should be stated whether or not the addressee or other person having custody of the respective letters or the agents to whom such letters were made available for examination, or both, initialled such letters at the time they were turned over to this Bureau for examination.

Thereafter should appear the names of those persons who can testify that they saw the Woodstock typewriter in the ALGER HISS household. In this connection, if any of such persons can testify that they saw CHAMBERS in the HISS home, that fact should be so stated.

Following the above, it should be set out that a document examiner from the FBI Laboratory can testify that he examined the specimens mentioned above as having been prepared on the Woodstock typewriter and that such specimens were prepared on the same machine on which were written Q6 through Q69. There should also be included in this portion dealing with the testimony of the FBI Laboratory examiner that the handwritten signatures of ~~ALGER~~ and ~~PRISCILLA~~ HISS appearing on certain of those documents have been compared with known specimens of their respective handwriting and determined to be their actual handwriting.

This portion of the summary report will be handled by SA D. E. Shannon.

G. PERSONS WHO CAN TESTIFY TO HAVING SEEN HISS AND CHAMBERS TOGETHER

In order to sustain count two of the indictment it will be necessary to show by witnesses HISS and CHAMBERS together some time subsequent to January 1, 1937. Under this section should be listed on a separate sheet the names and addresses of all persons who can testify to having seen HISS and CHAMBERS together at any time during their association, particularly subsequent to the above-mentioned date. It is to be noted that investigations are presently being conducted by the Washington Field, New Haven, and Boston Office in an attempt to secure persons who can testify to this association. At such time as the final results are received the names of the persons and the circumstances to which they can testify as to meetings between HISS and CHAMBERS should be set out.

H. PERSONS INVOLVED BY WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND WHO MIGHT BE CALLED DURING THE TRIAL BY THE DEFENSE

Under this section should appear, as an addendum to the main portion of the summary report, a list of the persons and a short statement of their background. In addition to setting out their background, mention should be made of whether they have been interviewed, by whom, and the details of this interview. At the present time the following persons are in this category:

	<u>To be handled by</u>
✓ John Abt	J. F. Sullivan
✓ Lee Pressman	J. F. Sullivan
J. Peters	R. F. X. O'Keefe
• Nathan Witt	J. F. Sullivan
• H. H. Collins, Jr.	F. J. Gallant
• Charles Kramer, was	F. J. Gallant
Donald Hiss	Not interviewed
✓ W. Ward Pigman	J. R. Shinnors
Boris Bykov	Not located
✓ Felix Inslerman	J. J. Danahy
✓ Daniel Zimmerman	J. P. Martin
William Spiegel	J. R. Shinnors
• A. George Silverman	F. J. Gallant
• Harold Glasser	F. J. Gallant
H. D. White	Deceased
Harold Ware	Deceased

J. T. HILSBOS,
J. M. KELLY,
Special Agents

607 United States Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

February 3, 1949

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Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning Felix Inslerman, 495 East 188th Street, Bronx, New York, subscriber to telephone number Fordham 4-4697, in 1935.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, New York City

FROM : SAC, Butte

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.;
ALGER HISS; ET AL
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE

DATE: January 31, 1949

Rerep SA EDWIN O. JOHNSON, Denver, Colorado, dated January 12, 1949. This report requests the Butte Office to furnish Denver with the maiden name of IRENE McMURPHY, as well as information regarding her present whereabouts.

A review of the Butte file reveals that this office is in possession of no information regarding IRENE McMURPHY which has not been set out in reports furnished to Denver. Denver file #100-4015 should contain the summary report of SA FRED W. CARY dated December 16, 1944, at Butte, Montana, which sets out the maiden name for IRENE McMURPHY and also contains reported addresses for her in Denver.

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cc: Denver (65-658)

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THE FOLLOWING TELETYPE RECEIVED FROM ST. PAUL FEBRUARY ONE LAST. QUOTE.

TIMOTHY HOBSON, SON OF MRS. PRISCILLA HOBSON HISS BY FORMER MARRIAGE,

WAS IN NAVY AT UNION COLLEGE, SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK, NOVEMBER FIRST,

FORTY FOUR TO JULY TWENTY SIX, FORTY FIVE, UNDER THE COMMAND OF LT. CMDR.

FRANZ B. ANDREN. ANDREN ADVISES HE RECALLS THE NAME TIMOTHY HISS, BUT

CANNOT RECALL ANY INFO ABOUT HOBSON. [REDACTED]

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IF CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER HAS ANY TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE IN HIS

POSSESSION THAT COULD HAVE EMANATED FROM THE HISS RESIDENCE.

SUBMIT SAME TO FBI LAB FOR COMPARISON.

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cc New York (AMSD)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: February 3, 1949

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,
was.; ET AL
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

Re report of SA JOHN C. CARR dated 2/3/49 at New Haven and previous reports from the New Haven Office reflecting investigation at Thomaston, Connecticut.

From the early information furnished the New Haven Office in this case, it appeared that the establishment formerly known as the Park Hotel was certainly most apt to be the place described by CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS' subsequent comment, on viewing photographs, that either the RABBIT or GOODALL Tourist Homes were most apt to be the place he mentioned is in almost direct contradiction to his previous information concerning the most likely whereabouts of the tourist home. This office appreciates how valuable it would be in this case to be able to locate a register for 1937 at Thomaston, Connecticut signed by ALGER HISS. In view of what is contradictory information furnished by CHAMBERS, if it is at all possible, it would be most appreciated if CHAMBERS could be brought to Thomaston to actually point out the establishment at which he stayed and consequently to localize the investigation. For instance, if CHAMBERS stayed at the Goodall Tourist Home, records for 1937 are definitely not available and neither Mr. nor Mrs. GOODALL recognize the photographs.

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607 U. S. Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

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January 21, 1949

Mr. Edward L. Branne
Legal Department
New York Telephone Co.
140 West St.
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged for the information concerning:

HASTINGS 5-1228 W

The above was needed by us in connection with an official investigation presently engaging our attention.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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EDWARD SCHMIDT
Special Agent in Charge

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